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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicants hereby submit the following information for the Examiner's consideration:

The following documents were cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.98 (a)-(c) in U.S. Patent Application No. 08/320,408 and in its continuation, U.S. Patent Application No. 09/570,455, and the instant application claims priority of both applications under 35 U.S.C. § 120:

- (1) German Patent Application No. 34 46 794 published January 2, 1986;
- (2) German Patent Application No. 28 20 784 published November 23, 1978;
- (3) German Patent Application No. 30 06 695 published August 27, 1981;
- (4) German Patent Application No. 40 03 363 published March 28, 1991;
- (5) German Patent Application No. 42 37 991 published May 19, 1994;
- (6) European Patent Application No. 0 187 904 published July 23, 1986;

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- (7) European Patent Application No. 0 186 373 published July 2, 1986;
- (8) European Patent Application No. 0 293 002 published November 30, 1988;
- (9) Austrian Patent Application No. 323 224 published June 25, 1975; and
- (10) International Publication No. WO 94/02652 published February 3, 1994.

The following documents were cited by the Examiner in U.S. Patent Application No. 08/320,408, of which the instant application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

- (11) U.S. Patent No. 2,087,346 to JOHNSTON issued July 20, 1937;
- (12) U.S. Patent No. 4,082,577 to HELLER issued April 4, 1978; and
- (13) U.S. Patent No. 4,486,243 to LAMBERT et al. issued December 4, 1984.

The following documents were cited by the Examiner in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/814,710, which is a continuation of the above-noted U.S. Patent Application No. 09/570,455. The instant application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/814,710 and claims priority thereof under 35 U.S.C. § 121.

- (14) U.S. Patent No. 4,375,995 to SUGINO et al. issued March 8, 1983;
- (15) U.S. Patent No. 4,714,500 to HELLER et al. issued December 22, 1987; and
- (16) U.S. Patent No. 4,913,747 to FUKUDA et al. issued April 3, 1990.

As copies of the above-listed documents were provided in U.S. Patent Application Nos. 08/320,408 and 09/814,710, respectively, no copies are included herewith. However, Applicants have enclosed a completed copy of the PTO-1449 Form listing these documents, and the Examiner is requested to consider these documents and to indicate such consideration

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by returning a signed and initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form with the first official communication.

Should there be any questions or comments, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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